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SUBJECT:

Assignment of Senior Logistics Officers

to the Offices of the DDO and DDS&T

For what it's worth, I do not believe the proposal from the Deputy Director of Logistics regarding the assignment of a senior Logistics Officer to the offices of the DDO and the DDS&T is either desirable or necessary. It is my opinion that any gaps in our logistical support to DDO operations which may be occurring, stem not necessarily from the lack of a project annex, but more from a lack of communication. According to the information available to me, there are approximately 10 Logistics Officers currently assigned to the DDO and 39 Logistics Officers assigned to the DDS&T. In the case of DDS&T, there is already assigned to the office of the DDS&T a senior Logistics Officer, although his primary function is to work in the area of procurement. It seems to me with this population of logistics careerists working in these two directorates, we should not have many communications gaps. I do not know what a senior Logistics Officer assigned to the DDO would do, since the planning function does not take place at that level. I should think that a better and less expensive approach to this problem would be to work harder at establishing day-to-day communications channels between the Director of Logistics and the several division chiefs who may become involved from time to time in operational programs which require significant logistical support. I can also help in this regard through my dealings with the support chiefs of each of the components within the DDO.

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